

## Kilsyth Community Council

Minute of meeting held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2010 in Burngreen Hall (7pm – 9.15pm)

**PRESENT:** Scott Johnson, Jim Hutchison, Margot Macmillan, Jean McLachlan, Alan Stevenson, Charles Coulthard, John Freebaairn

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jamie Hepburn MSP, Cllr Mark Griffin, Cllr David Key, Kilsyth Chronicle, Tom Hardie and Gerry Sweeney of Hardie Planning, Members of the public

**1. APOLOGIES :** Jean Jones

**2. POLICE REPORT AND ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:** There was no police report.

**3. JAMIE HEPBURN, MSP** attended and gave a talk on the results of a local issues survey which has been conducted allowing people to comment. The results of the survey will be published in due course. He took questions from council members and members of the public when various local concerns were raised such as the creation of Campsie Fells Regional Park, planning issues, access to Croy car park and Scottish Parliament education funding

**4. TOM HARDIE, HARDIE PLANNING CONSULTANCY - RE PROPOSAL FOR FISHPONDS, PORTCULLIS ESTATE:** Tom Hardie and Gerry Sweeney attended and gave a presentation on the proposals for pond to be used for trout fishing, enhancement of the area and welcoming members of the public to visit. Concerns were raised such as access, pedestrian access links, winter flooding and effects on wild life. Following discussion a show of hands for support was requested and the result was unanimous. A letter of support would be given if required.

**5. GENERAL ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:** None were raised.

**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE MEETING:** with minor amendment Charles Coulthard, seconded by Margot Macmillan proposed the adoption of the minute of the June meeting.

**7. REPORT FROM TREASURER:** The treasurer advised the balance at the end of July on the Projects account was £750.88 and the Administration account £1,848.32

**8. CORRESPONDENCE:** utilisation of The Kilsyth Cup was discussed. Members to consider and return ideas. Kilsyth Chronicle given copy of correspondence with possibility of article being included in local newspaper.

Margot raised the request for KCC attendance at meetings with Friends of Burngreen. Maintenance of Innsbridge was discussed. It was agreed that this should be carried out by NLC Park's Department. Cllr David Key will report back to Ken Wilson.

**9. LICENSING AND PLANNING MATTERS:** The issue of access for loading/unloading at Archways was again raised. Cllr Mark Grffin reported he is continuing discussion with NLC to create a window for this purpose for all premises on main street with relevant signage. Mark will keep us informed.

Items from NLC Planning List were considered. Application by British Waterways for conversion of stable block at Craigmarloch to dwelling house raised no major issues or concerns. Application regarding 21 dwelling houses at Woodend Farm was discussed. In principle we have no objections but we would like to be informed of developments. NLC to be advised.

**10. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:** Concern was raised regarding the overgrowth on the path beside burn at St. Patricks school. The water level is high at Colzium burn at Covenanter path. This is to be reported to British Waterways.

**11. HISTORY AND HERITAGE:** The temporary exhibition planned for October was discussed. Contact to be made again with Jenny Noble NLC and Kilsyth Library regarding exhibits and venue. Also Kilsyth Co-operative regarding window display.

**12. REPORTS FROM OTHER ORGANISATIONS:** Scott Johnson reported on his meeting with ROK on the progress of former White House. Works are progressing and flats above have been fitted out. Gymnasium operator has pulled out of Co-op building so this will not go ahead. Charles Coulthard reported the success of the Rotary Club stall at Civic Week raised £1500.00 for aid to Pakistan.

**13. WEBSITE:** Robert Pender's proposal for changes to the web site were discussed and it was decided to leave as is.

**14. A.O.C.B.:** Proposed by Jim Hutchison and seconded by Jean McLachlan Cheryl-marie Anderson was accepted as a member to KCC. Cheryl gave a talk on her campaign to clean up and have maintained by NLC the Haugh Road area of the town which has become badly overgrown. Cheryl has agreed to represent KCC in the Friends of Burngreen Group. Further issues were raised and attendance by police at next meeting will be requested.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at 7.00pm.